VETERINARY HOSPITAL—MATTANCHERI.

227. Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Nominated):* Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have made provision in the budget for a Veterinary Hospital in Mattancheri?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Provision is made in the budget for 1115 only for running the Camp Hospital at Mattancheri as at present. Proposals are under consideration to develop the institution at Mattancheri.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Nominated):* When do they hope to construct the Hospital?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* There will be some improvement made even in this coming year.

228. Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan *(Commerce & Industry):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of animals treated at the Camp Veterinary Hospital at Mattancheri during 1112, 1113 and 1114;

(*b*) whether they would consider, in view of the useful work done by the above hospital, the desirability of making the hospital a permanent and up-to-date one with a whole-time doctor and necessary equipments?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) No. of animals treated in

1112	..	816
1113	..	1425
1114 (up to 30th Mithunam 1114)		1432.

(*b*) The question of developing the camp hospital into a pucca fully equipped one is under contemplation of the Government, but stands postponed for want of funds.

SHORANUR-COCHIN RAILWAY TERRITORY—OWNERSHIP OF

229. Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) to whom does the territory through which the Cochin State Railway passes belong;

(*b*) is Cochin State collecting any tax from the people living in the land through which the Railway passes?

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